

SENT BY: MCGINN & GIBB;

301 261 8825;

FEB-29-03, 15:35;

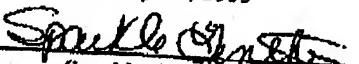
PAGE 1

**PATENT**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re patent  
appln. of: Blackshear et al.  
Serial No.: 10/056,256  
Filed: January 24, 2002  
For: VERTICALLY STACKED MEMORY  
CHIPS IN FBGA PACKAGES  
Examiner: Thai, Luan C.  
Grp. Art Unit: 2827  
Atty. Dkt.: FIS9-2000-0273US1

Certificate of Transmission by Facsimile

I hereby certify that this correspondence  
is being facsimile transmitted to the  
United States Patent and Trademark  
Office (Fax No. 703-372-7591) and  
addressed to the Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on  
February 26, 2003

  
Sparkle Gunther

FAX RECEIVED

FEB 26 2003

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 4, 2002, please amend the above-  
identified patent application as follows:

04/01/2003 TOKONI 00000003 090458 10056256

01 FC:1202 108.00 CH  
02 FC:1201 84.00 CH

10056256

Received date: 04/02/2003 TOKONI 00000003 090458  
108.00 CR  
84.00 CR  
/FC:1202  
/FC:1201

Received from <301 261 8825> at 2/26/03 1:56:08 PM [Eastern Standard Time]

SENT BY: MCGINN & GIBB;

301 261 8825;

FEB-26-03 15:38;

PAGE 12/13

accompanying drawings, and no new matter is being added. In view of the foregoing, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections.

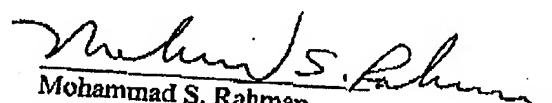
**II. Formal Matters and Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that claims 1-14 are patentably distinct from the prior art of record and are, in addition to newly added claims 21-26, in condition for allowance. Moreover, the amendments made herein do not narrow the scope of the claims for patentability purposes. In fact, the claim amendments made herein broaden the scope of the present invention due to its applicability in other environments. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary. Please charge any deficiencies and credit any overpayments to Attorney's Deposit Account Number 09-0458.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 2/26/03

  
Mohammad S. Rahman  
Reg. No. 43,029

McGinn & Gibb, PLLC  
2568-A Riva Road  
Suite 304  
(301) 261-8625  
(301) 261-8825 - fax

**FAX RECEIVED**

FEB 26 2003

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800

12